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FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

Wednesday, January 21, 2015

Issued: 0800 CT

Day 1 Hazards: Moderate to Heavy snowfall in northern and northwestern NM.

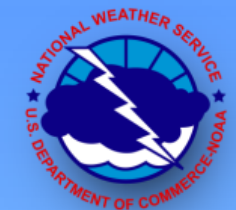
Day 1 Hazards: Moderate snowfall across the TX/OK Panhandles and northern TX Caprock starting this evening.

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Key Points



Wednesday

- **Moderate/heavy snowfall developing across northern NM into the TX/OK Panhandles and along the northern portion of the TX Caprock.**
- **Travel impacts from snow and blowing snow along I-25 and I-40 corridors anticipated, including the chance for closures.**
- **Highest accumulations are expected in the mountainous regions of NM.**
- **Dense fog along the TX Gulf Coast This morning may impact travel.**

Thursday

- **Snow will continue across NM and TX/OK Panhandles expanding into SW TX**
- **Continued travel impacts along I-40 from the TX Panhandle into northern NM as well as I-25 in NM**
- **Travel impacts expected along I-10 and I-20 across west and southwest TX**
- **Moderate to Heavy Rainfall developing across southeast TX overnight.**

Friday – Sunday

- **Light rain/snow mix southern AR to southwest TX, no impacts to travel expected.**

*FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

Jan 21, 2015 - Jan 25, 2015

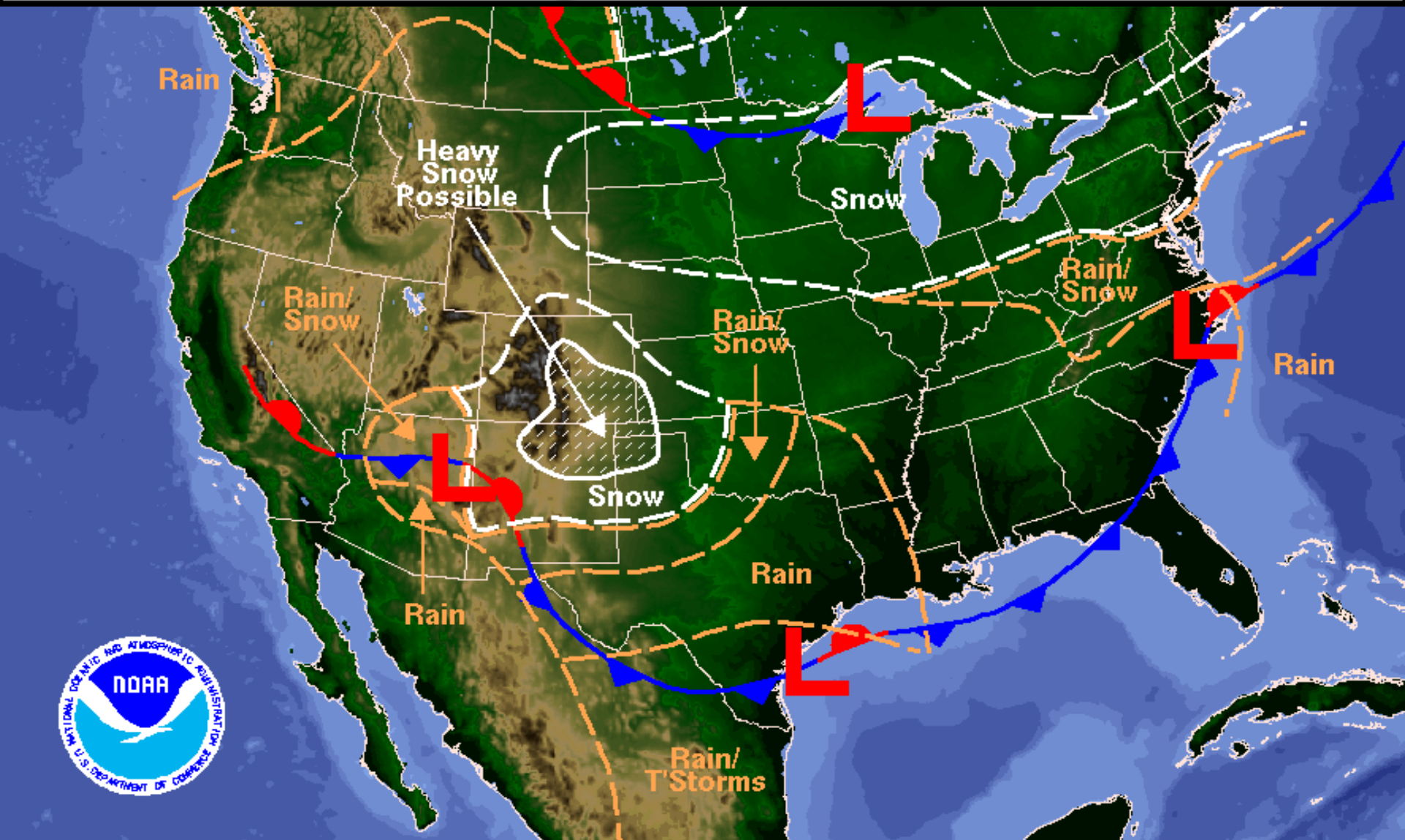
DAY/ THREAT	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
Severe Storms					
Heavy Rain /Flooding		SE TX			
Fire					
Cold					
Winter	N and NW NM	N NM, TX/OK panhandles, W OK	S AR, NE TX, SW TX		
	TX/OK Panhandles				

	High Threat
	Moderate Threat
	Slight Threat
	No Discernible Threat

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Today's Weather



Weather Forecast for Wed, Jan 21, 2015, issued 3:15 AM EST
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by McCreynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts

Day 1 Weather Hazards

Valid: 0800 Wed - 0800 Thu



**Snow and Travel
Impacts Wednesday
into Thursday**

**Snow Wednesday night
into
Thursday**

**Dense Fog
Early This
Morning**

High Threat

Moderate Threat

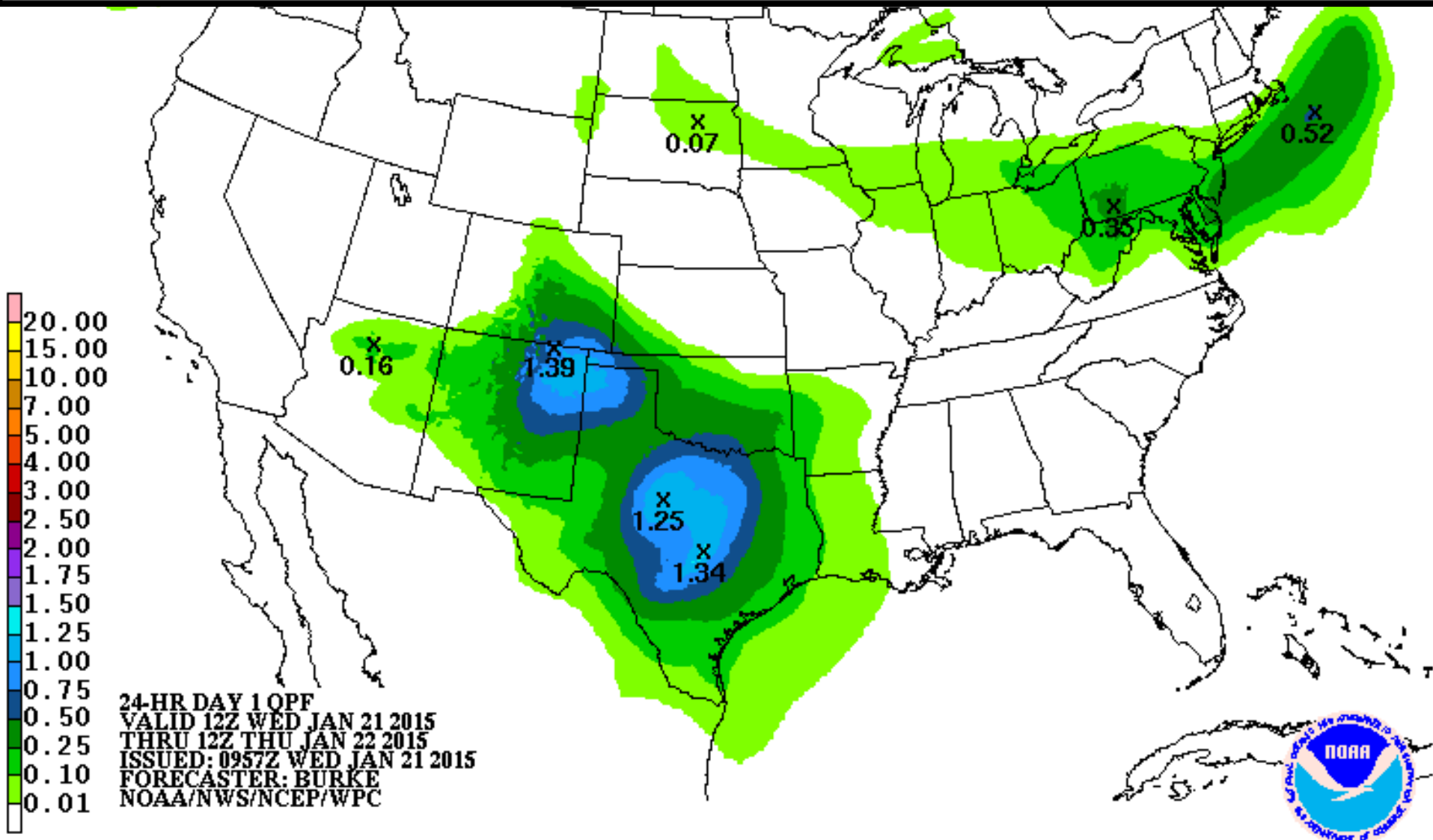
Slight Threat

No Discernible Threat

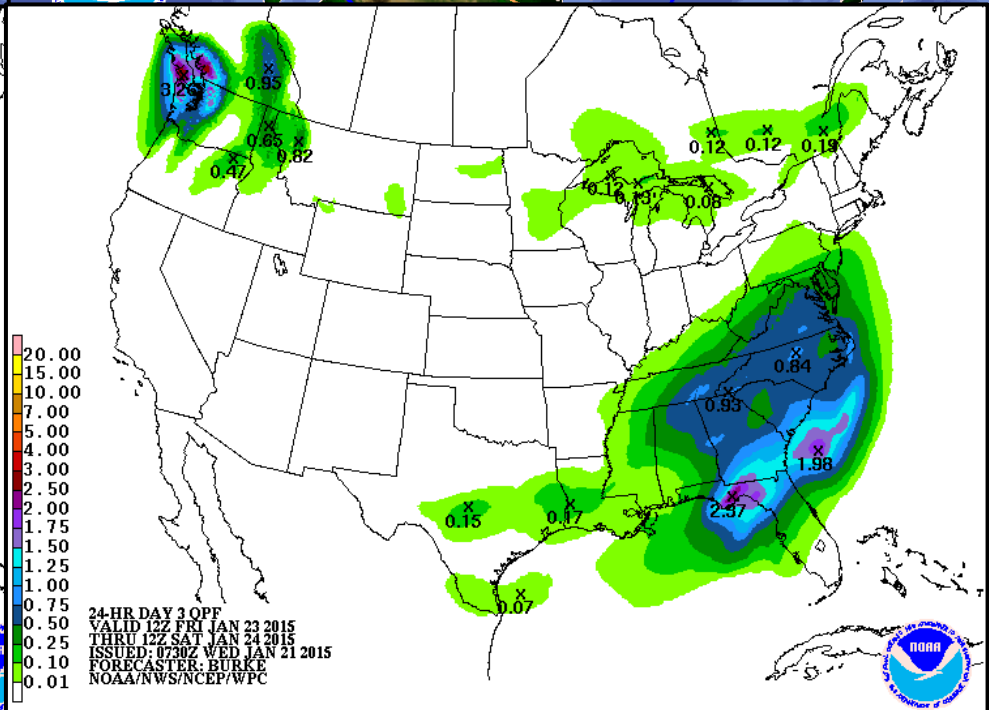
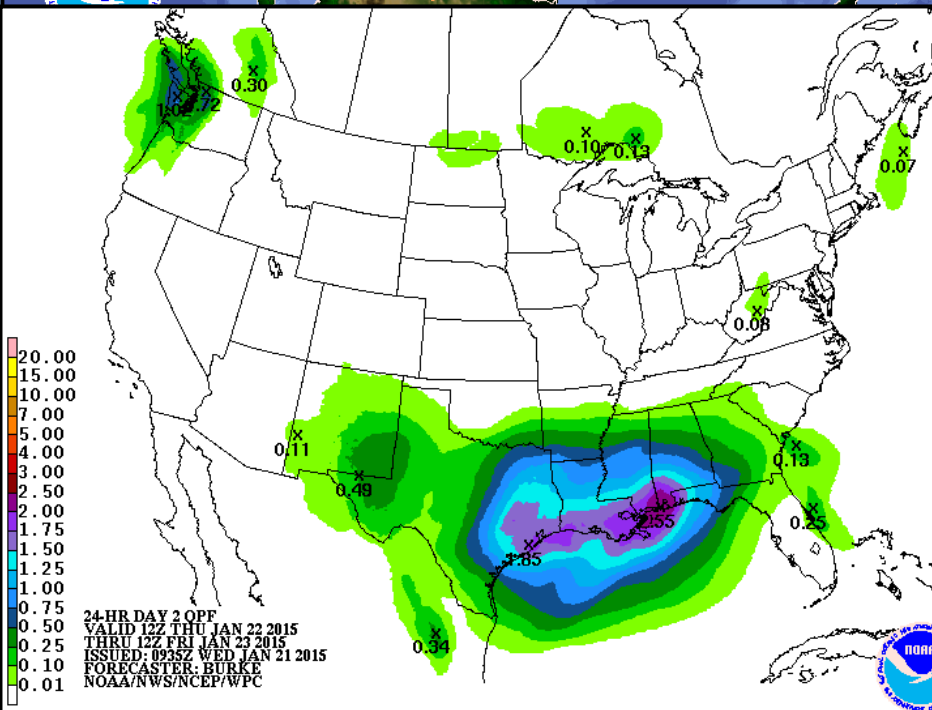
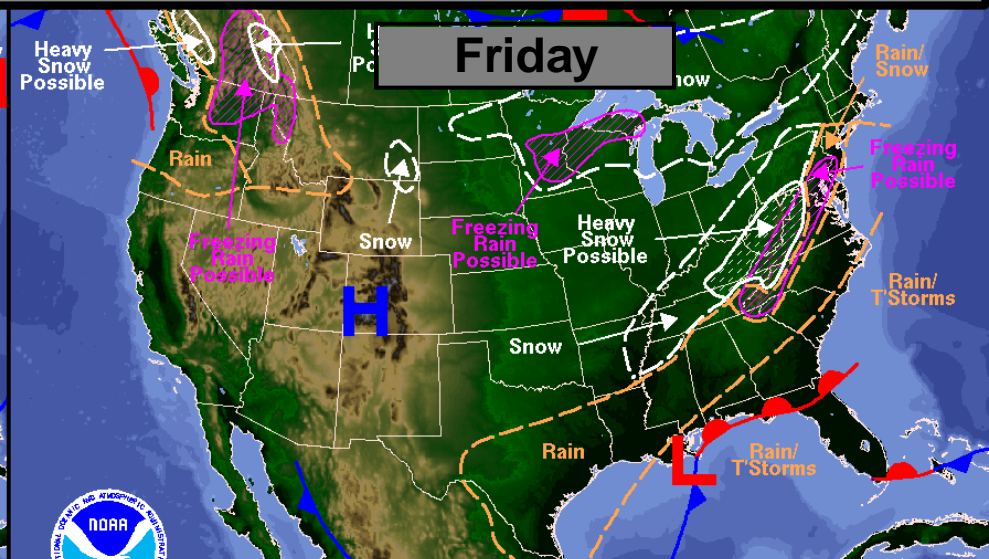
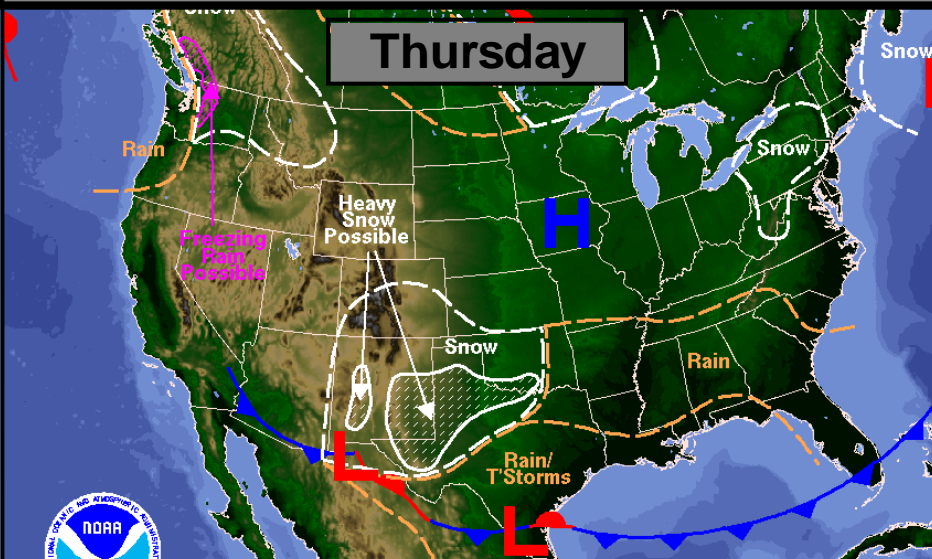
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Today's Precipitation

Wed AM - Thu AM

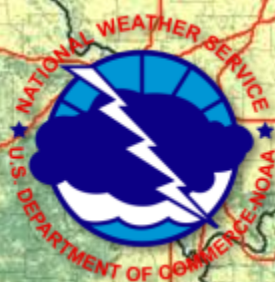


Day 2-3 Weather Maps/Precipitation



Day 2-3 Weather Hazards

Valid: 0800 Thu - 0800 Sat



**Snow Thursday
Tapering off into the
Evening**

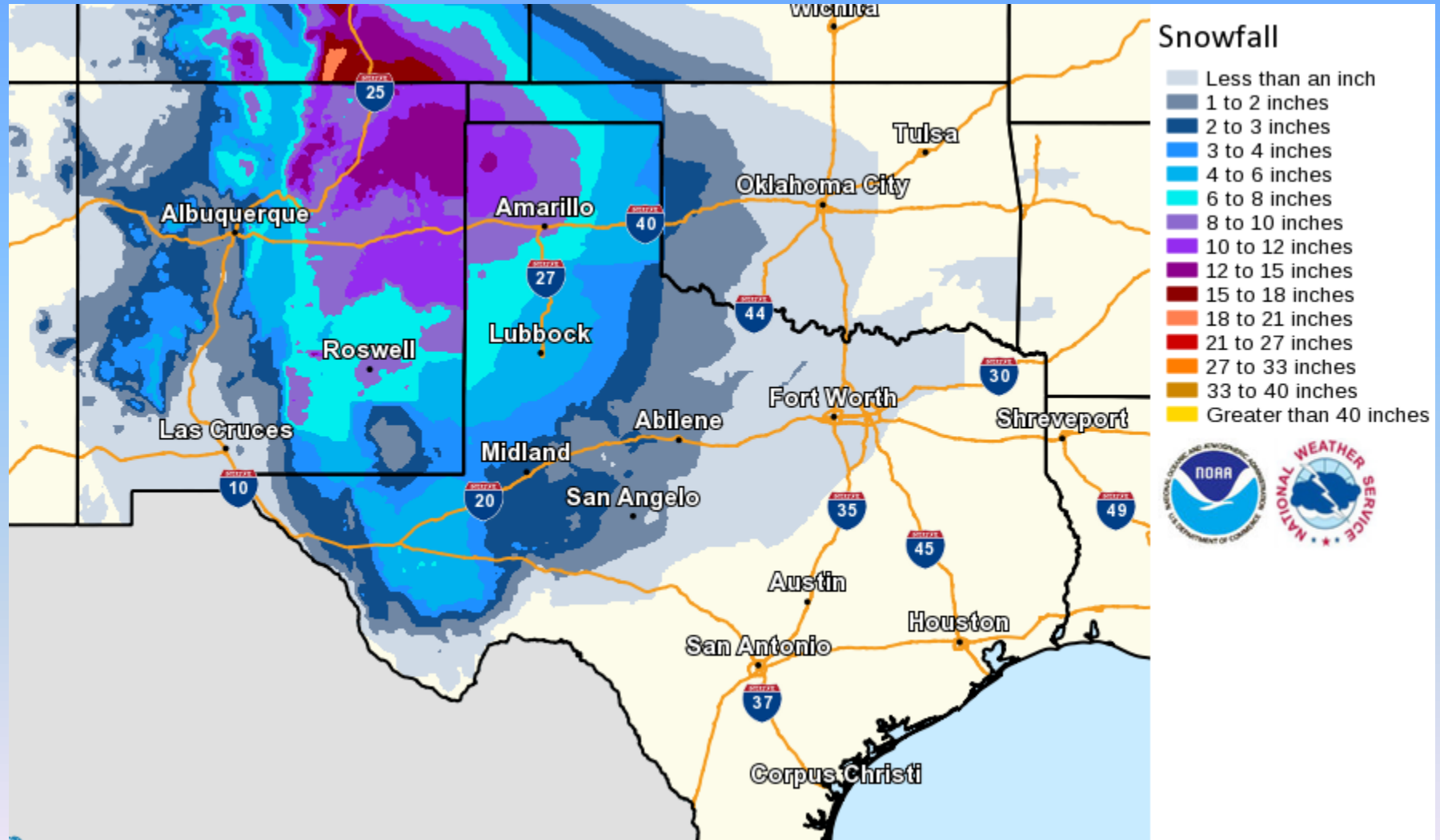
**Snow Thursday into
Thursday evening**

**Moderate to Heavy
Rainfall Thursday**

-  High Threat
-  Moderate Threat
-  Slight Threat
-  No Discernible Threat

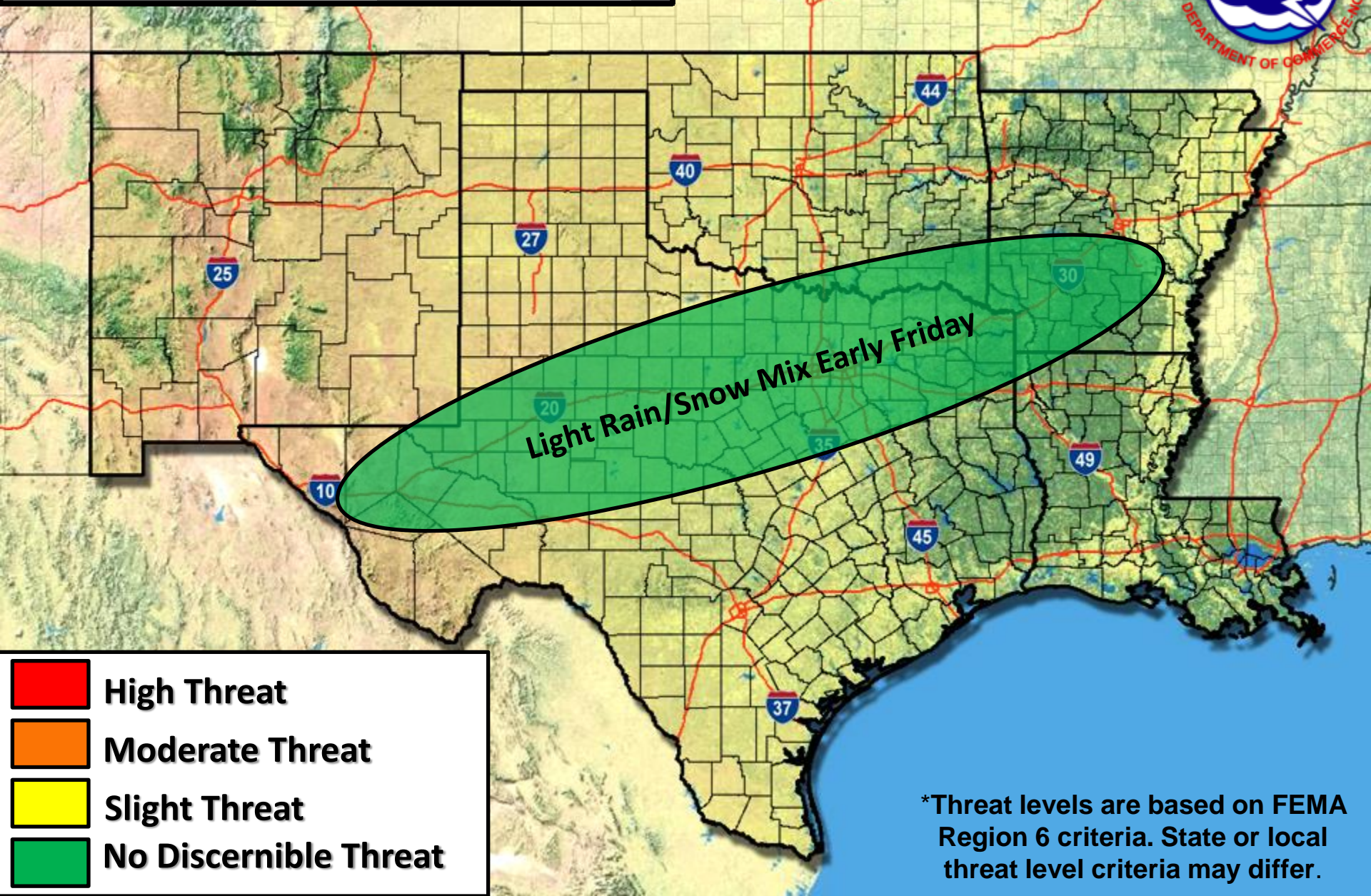
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Snowfall Today Through Friday Morning



Day 4-5 Weather Hazards

Valid: 0800 Sat - 0800 Mon



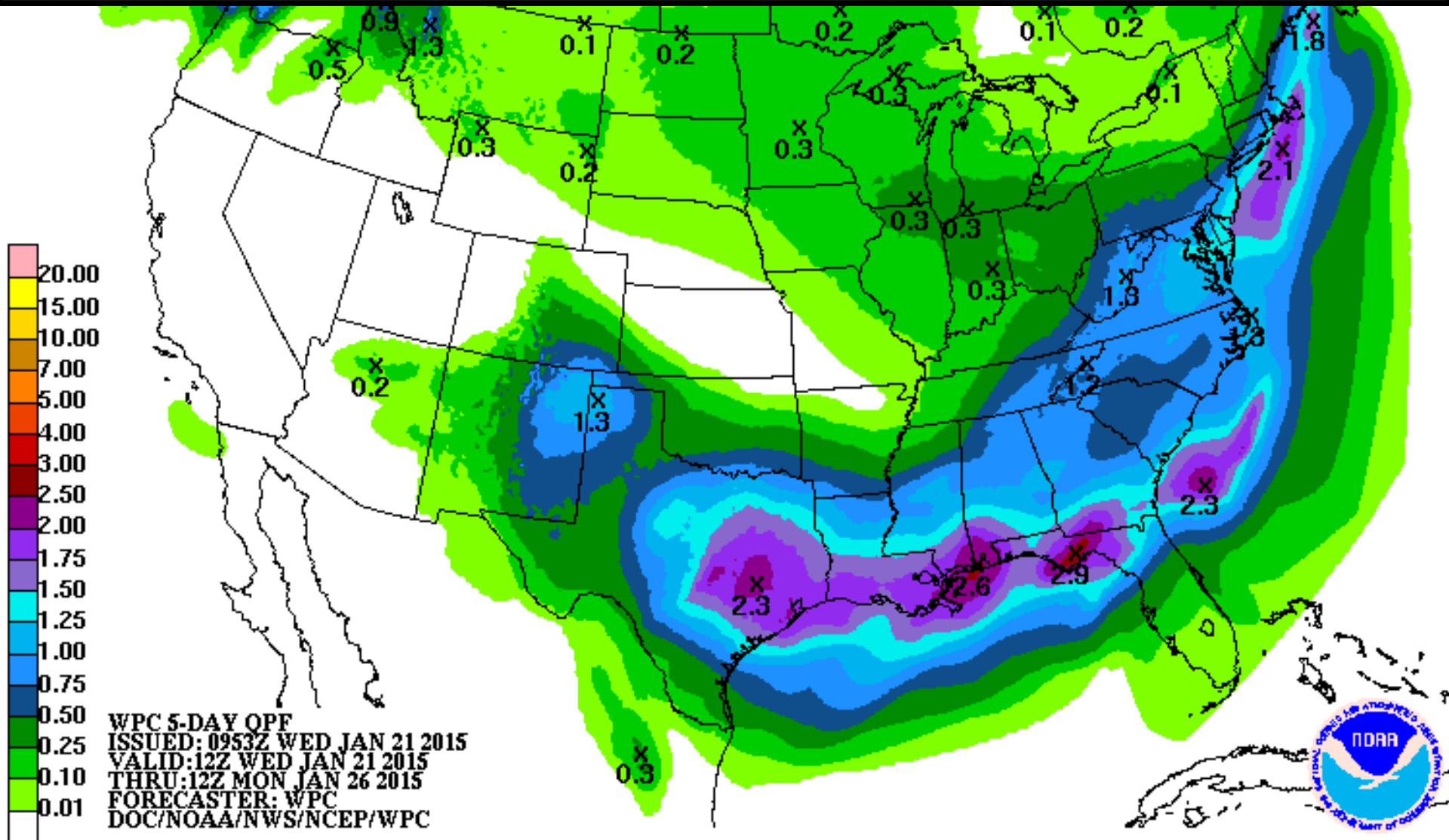
Light Rain/Snow Mix Early Friday



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5-Day Precipitation

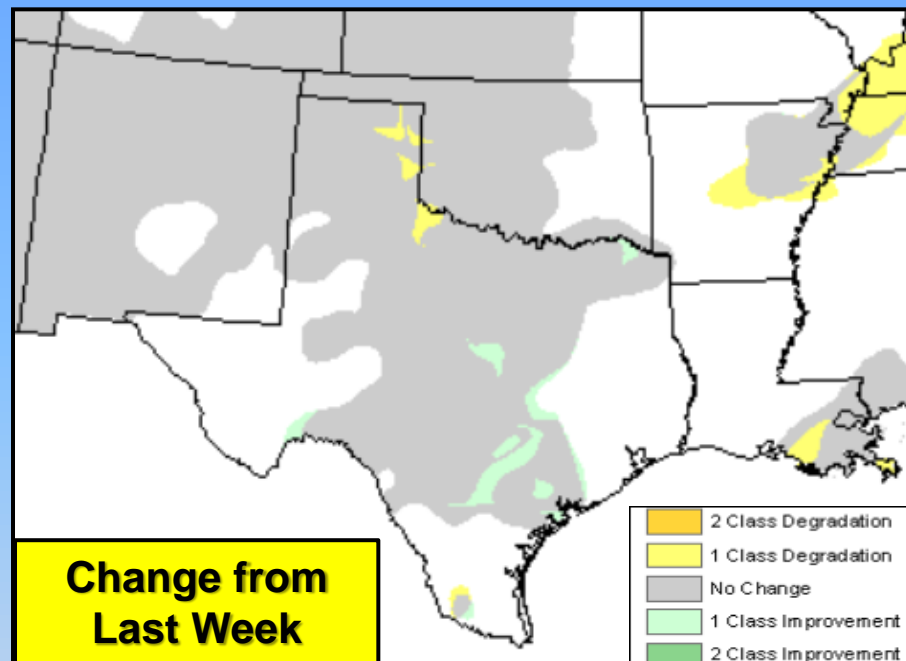
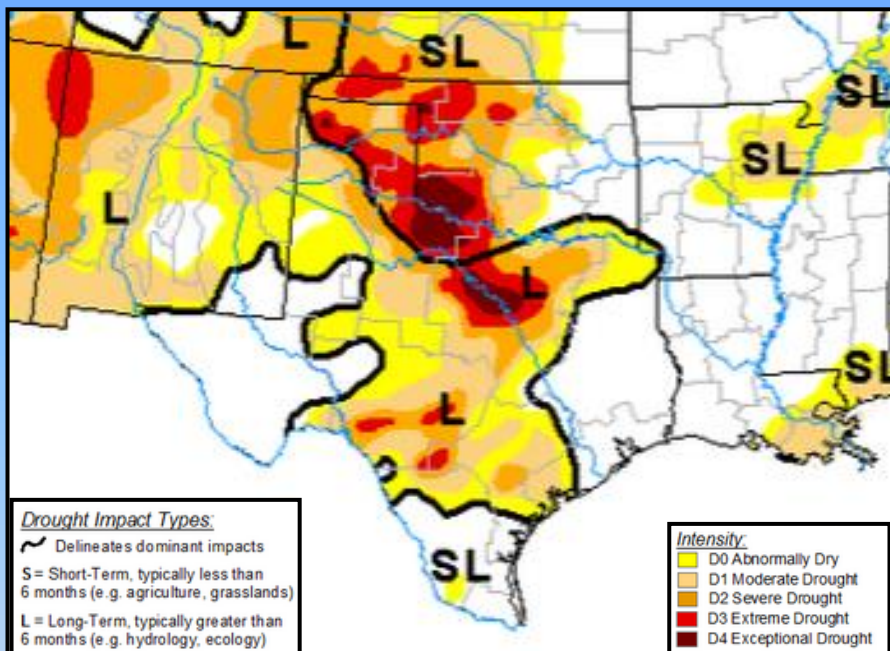
Wed AM - Mon AM





Drought Monitor Released January 15, 2015

Data valid through 7am ET on Tuesday, January 13, 2015



Drought Conditions (Percent Area) in D3-D4 (Extreme to Exceptional Drought)

State	Current	Last Week	3 Months Ago	1 Year Ago
Oklahoma	22.58%	22.35%	20.87%	4.84%
Texas	11.03%	10.72%	10.97%	6.68%
New Mexico	3.70%	3.70%	8.08%	3.97%
Arkansas	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Louisiana	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

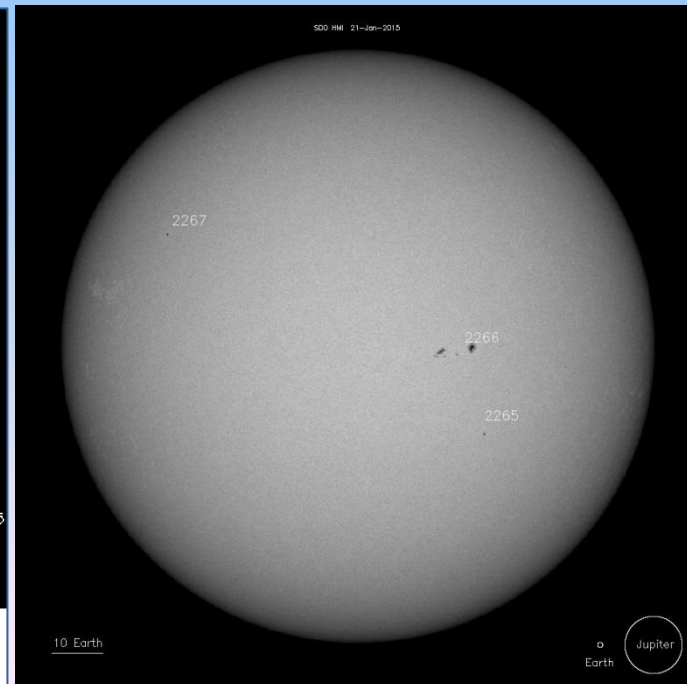
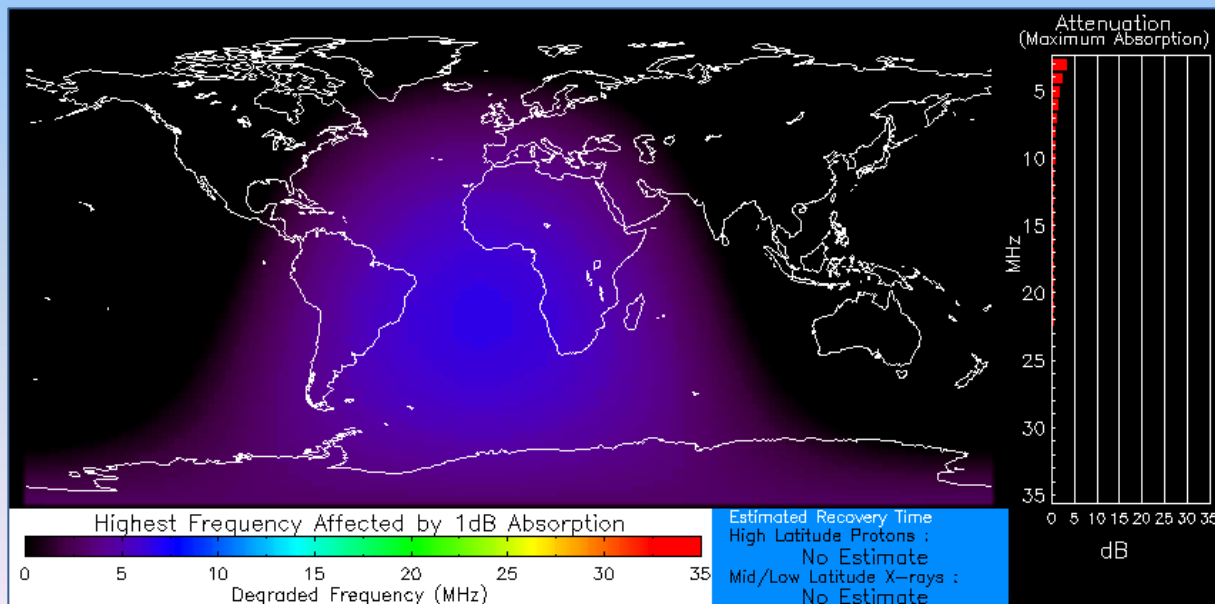
Space Weather 3-Day Forecast



	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Geomagnetic Storms	Quiet to Active (Max Kp = 2)	Quiet to Active (Max Kp = 2)	Quiet to Active (Max Kp = 2)
Solar Radiation Storm (S1-S5)	1%	1%	1%
Radio Blackout (R1-R2)	5%	5%	5%
Radio Blackout (R3-R5)	1%	1%	1%

[Click here for a Description of the Space Weather Storm Scales](#)

[Click here for the Latest 3-Day Space Weather Forecast Text](#)



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